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CASTLEMAN-MACKAY MANSION

Address:

3693 Lindell Boulevard, St. Louis, St. Louis City

County, Missouri

Present Owner:

Lucie Mackay Palmer, Susan Benton, Fred W. Russe

Present Occupant: George C. Machay

Present Use:

Residence

Brief Statement

Built in 1896, this is a large, elaborately de-

of Significance: corated mansion, typical of the period.

PART I. HISTORICAL INFORMATION

A. Physical History

- 1. Original and subsequent owners: Lucie Cable Castleman 1891 to 1926 wife of George A. Castleman. Susanne Cable Mackay 1926 to 1945.
- 2. Date of erection: 1896
- 3. Architect: Renwick, Aspinwall and Owen (New York Firm)
- 4. Original Plans: In possession of owners.
- 5. Notes on alterations and additions: Solarium on south east corner has had glass roof and walls removed and is used as an open terrace.
- 6. Sources of information and Important old views: The Brick Builder, Boston, May, 1898. Dr. William G. Swekosky, 2621 S. Jefferson Avenue, St. Louis.

PART II. ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

A. General Statement

- 1. Architectural character: This is a large, elaborately decorated, Victorian Tudor mansion. It was the first home in St. Louis to have an elevator.
- 2. Condition of fabric: Excellent.

- B. Technical Description of Exterior
 - 1. Overall dimensions: Irregular shape, approximately rectangular, 2-1/2 stories, measuring 60' x 75'.
 - 2. Foundations: Brick, molded terra cotta trim, granite steps.
 - 3. Wall construction: Brick with terra cotta window openings, belt course, parapet coping and quoins.
 - 4. Porches: Port cocheres or porches with marble pillars on all four sides.
 - 5. Chimneys: Several hexagonal Jacobean style brick chimneys.
 - 6. Openings:
 - a. Doorways: Entrance door has wrought iron grills over plate glass.
 - b. Windows: Double hung windows with single light sash.

7. Roof:

- a. Shape, covering: Gable roofs, slate covering.
- b. Eaves: Molded brick eaves, copper gutters and downspouts, parapets on gable ends decorated with finials.
- c. Dormers: Both hip roofed and gable roofed dormers.
- C. Technical Description of Interior
 - 1. Stairways: Wide, open well, closed string, heavily carved wood stairway.
 - 2. Flooring: Hardwood parquetry.
 - 3. Wall and Ceiling finish: Plaster. Elaborate molded plaster ceilings.
 - 4. Trim: Mahogany and oak, heavily carved.
 - 5. Hardware: Brass in principal rooms.
 - 6. Lighting: Electrical
 - 7. Heating: Central.

D. Site

- 1. General setting and orientation: Faces south on corner town lot 100' x 371'. Dwarfed by nearby multi-story buildings.
- 2. Enclosures: Limestone wall with wrought iron fence.
- 3. Outbuildings: Carriage house with walls of pressed brick.
- 4. Welks, driveways, etc.: Concrete.
- 5. Landscaping: Lawn.

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